

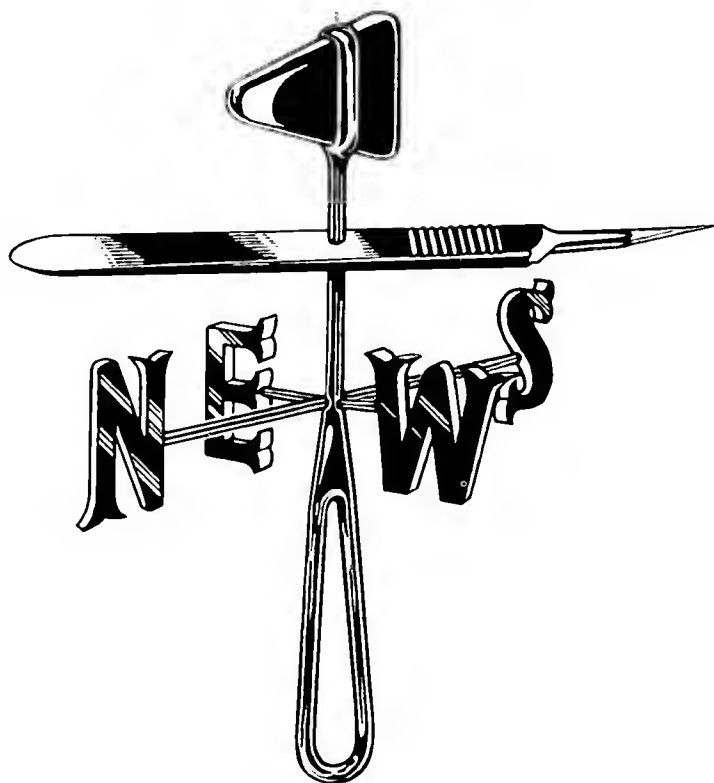
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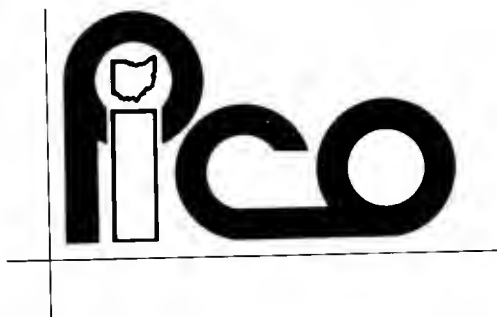
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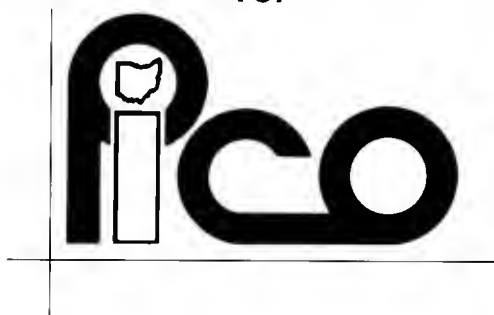
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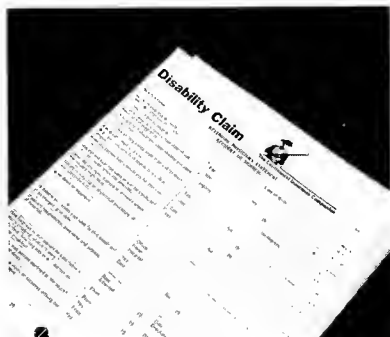
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MAHONING COUNTY MEDICAL SOCIETY MEETINGS — 1977

Tuesday	Tuesday	Tuesday	Thursday	Tuesday	Tuesday
Jan. 18	Mar. 15	May 24	Sept. 22	Nov. 15	Dec. 20

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From the Desk of the President



YOU CHOOSE YOUR OFFICERS

The time for nominations and election of Medical Society officers, council members and delegates to the Ohio State Medical Association is approaching. If the democratic process is to function well, you must be involved. Whom do you want to represent you? Are you interested in working for and representing your Society?

The nominating committee will be meeting soon. This year, the committee is composed of Dr. F. A. Fridrich, Dr. R. L. Hritz, Dr. W. E. Sovik, Dr. W. F. Stanford, Dr. R. G. Warnock and myself. Please convey your thoughts and suggestions to any of these men. Your Council can make sound decisions only if the voices of all of us are heard.

The nominating committee has a very important job. Please help them.

—J. James Anderson
President



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Editorial

A new era dawned for the Mahoning County Medical Society with the September, 1977, issue of the *Bulletin*. In that issue Robert R. Fisher, M.D., at the request of his father J. L. Fisher, M.D., voluntarily assumed the task of writing the interesting and thought provoking column "From The Bulletin" for our Society. In my first year of active participation in the Medical Society, I have heard Dr. J. L. Fisher repeatedly praised, and at this particular time, with his decision to give up active participation in the *Bulletin*, I believe it only appropriate that his accomplishments and contributions to our organization be publicly reiterated.

J. L. Fisher, M.D., graduated from Jefferson Medical College in 1918, subsequently interning at the South Unit of the Youngstown Hospital Association. He has been, and remains, actively engaged in General Practice in our city. Amongst his earliest contributions to our Society, Dr. Fisher was given the task of organizing the *Bulletin* and served as its editor for its first two years (1931-1933). He subsequently assumed the presidency of this organization in 1935. Throughout this time, the column "From The Bulletin" was maintained on a monthly basis to the present day under Dr. Fisher's auspices. His contributions were not solely in the field of the Medical Society however, as he was instrumental in the organization of the present day Medical-Dental Bureau in Youngstown and served as president at its inception in 1941. His local career and its accomplishments were temporarily interrupted at the age of 46 when he voluntarily enlisted in the United States Army and served overseas from 1942 through 1945. He was later elected Chief of the Department of General Practice at Youngstown Hospital Association and in 1955 he was honored as "General Practitioner of the Year", the first so-named by the Mahoning County Academy of General Practice. In addition, and probably most important, Dr. and Mrs. Fisher raised three children, all of whom have been successful in their own fields of endeavor. The best known to us is our own Robert R. Fisher, M.D.

From the desk of the Editor, on behalf of all members of the Medical Society, I would like to publicly thank J. L. Fisher, M.D., for his years of interest, dedication, and contribution to not only the Mahoning County Medical Society and its *Bulletin*, but to our community in general.

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—A. Reed Hoffmaster, M.D.
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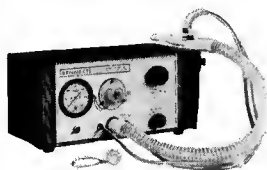
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OLD FASHIONED MEETING IS OCT .18

The "Old Fashioned Medical Society Meeting" got delayed a month, but everything is now set for the event to be held on Tuesday, Oct. 18th at Fonderlac Country Club.

Again, the plan is to make this meeting just like the ones that the old-timers talk about, when attendance was nearly 100% and everyone had a good time.

This will be an informal get-together, with plenty of good food and fellowship, no spouses, very little business and plenty of time for games after the meeting. Come and have a good time. Dress casual. Reservations may be made at the office of the Mahoning County Medical Society. It is requested that reservations be made by Friday, Oct. 14.

DRUG SAMPLE PICK-UP POSTPONED

The Woman's Auxiliary annual pick-up of unwanted drug samples from doctors' offices may be postponed. The pick-up was scheduled for the weeks of Oct. 9 and Oct. 16.

The Mahoning Chapter has been informed by the Ohio State Woman's Auxiliary and the Ohio State Medical Association that there has been some questioning of this project by the Ohio State Pharmacy Board. The local Auxiliary will hold off on the collection until the question is settled.

The collected drugs samples have always been sent to World Medical Relief in Detroit for further distribution to hospitals and missions throughout the world.

Mahoning County doctors will be advised by mail as to whether the collection will be held at a later time, or whether it must be cancelled.

INTERNATIONAL RACE IN NOVEMBER

Of interest to all physicians is the International Peace Race, which will be run in Mill Creek Park on Saturday, Nov. 12. The race is expected to attract runners from 30 countries. The course through the Park has been praised by top Olympic runners as the best in the world.

Dr. C. A. Sarantopoulos has sent out information to all physicians. Any doctor wishing to give financial support to this race should contact him.

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MEDICAL MEMORABILIA RECEIVED

First to respond to the Medical Society's ad for donations of medical memorabilia was Dr. W. H. Evans, who brought in a 1938 photo of Dr. M. E. Hayes, a former health commissioner. This is a fine addition to the growing historical and museum collection.

For some idea of the type of material wanted, turn to the "Don't Throw It Away" ad under Classified Advertising in this *Bulletin*. Anything donated will go to the Historical Committee or the Canfield Fair Committee. The Medical Society office will arrange pick up.

MEDICAL ASSISTANTS WORKSHOP IN NOV.

Members of the Mahoning County Chapter of Medical Assistants are holding their annual workshop at the Ramada Inn, Belmont Ave., on Sunday, November 6, 1977, starting at 8:00 A.M. and ending around 4:00 P.M. The following will be the program, as it stands: The day will start with registration and a continental breakfast, with speaker Dan Negrón of the Ohio Medical Indemnity. Then, Miss Jean Tisone will speak on INFECTION CONTROL, Dr. Y. T. Chiu will speak on PLASTIC SURGERY; Dr. Michael Jacobson on REHABILITATION MEDICINE and at the luncheon, a short talk given by Mr. James Cuppy of Medicare. The afternoon will start with Attorney John Newman, whose topic will be on MEDICAL-LEGAL problems, and the final part of the afternoon will be taken on by Dr. Juan Ruiz, who will speak on HYPNOTISM in connection with WEIGHT and SMOKING.

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—Nena La Barbera, Chairman
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LEGISLATIVE SOCIAL IS OCT. 21

Senators and representatives from those districts of the Ohio State legislature serving this area will be guests at a social to be held on Friday, Oct. 21, at the Youngstown Country Club. The affair is sponsored by the Woman's Auxiliary, and all physicians and their wives (or husbands) are urged to attend. Chairman of the Auxiliary committee is Mrs. Micki Bleacher. Reservations may be made by phoning her or by mailing a check for \$8.00 per person to her.

The Auxiliary has shown a great interest in legislative matters and this is their first attempt to have doctors meet socially with their legislators. Announcements of the meeting have been sent to both the Auxiliary members and the Medical Society members.

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IMMUNIZATION CAMPAIGN UNDER WAY

The current lack of immunizations in children is now considered to be serious and a nation-wide problem. The Ohio Department of Health is giving it special emphasis this month. Mayor Jack Hunter wrote to the Mahoning County Medical Society to ask for advice and help in the local situation. As a result the pre-school health committee met, with Dr. Kurt Wegner as chairman. They submitted the following recommendations to the Council of the Medical Society.

1. All members of the medical profession, both members of the Mahoning County Medical Society and members of the Osteopathic Society, shall be informed about the latest immunization recommendations as approved by the American Academy of Pediatrics and the center for disease control. These recommendations are to be printed in the *Bulletin* of the Mahoning County Medical Society and circulated to other physicians by mail or other means.
2. Physicians will be urged to adhere to these recommendations and bring the immunization status of children under their care up to date as speedily as possible.
3. Emphasis in the immunization program should be placed on preschool children since the enforcement of the school immunization laws should bring about completion of immunizations in the school age child.
4. Since adequate immunization facilities are available in the local well child clinics and in physicians' offices, no mass immunization stations need to be planned.
5. It is felt that a massive publicity program should be undertaken in order to urge parents of preschool children to take advantage of the available immunizations.
6. A meeting should be planned to develop such a publicity program. At this meeting, representatives from the following organizations, and perhaps others, should be invited: Mahoning County Medical Society, Auxiliary of the Mahoning County Medical Society, local Osteopathic Society, Auxiliary of the local Osteopathic Society, Youngstown Board of Health, Mahoning County Board of Health, Visiting Nurses Association.
7. Following the development of a comprehensive plan, various publicity resources should be brought into play. It may be necessary to have a press conference at which various representatives of local news media are invited. It is hoped that the radio and television stations and local newspapers will publicize the immunization efforts. In addition, endorsement should be obtained from such sources as The Youngstown Hospital Association, St. Elizabeth Hospital Medical Center, Youngtown Osteopathic Hospital, Youngstown Area Urban League, Mahoning County Community Action Center, and various other influential local organizations. Posters and leaflets judiciously displayed and distributed and probably available from the State Board of Health, should also prove helpful.
8. This plan is to be submitted for approval to the Council of Mahoning County Medical Society at its next meeting on September 13, 1977.

The committee report was approved by Council, and the committee is proceeding with a publicity campaign. A chart of current immunization recommendations is printed on the opposite page for information and guidance.

An Ohio Health Department survey of Mahoning County for the school year 1974-1975 showed that among school enterers 81.5% had 4 or more DPT injections, 92.2% had 3 or more polio doses, 94.0% had measles immunization and 92.7% had rubella vaccine.

CURRENT IMMUNIZATION RECOMMENDATIONS**TABLE I****IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE FOR NORMAL INFANTS AND CHILDREN**

AGE	VACCINES	COMMENTS
2 Months 4 Months 6 Months	DTP & POLIO DTP & POLIO DTP (3rd Polio optional)	DTP - - - Diphtheria, Tetanus and Pertussis (absorbed type) Vaccine. POLIO Trivalent Oral Polio Vaccine (TOPV).
15 Months	MEASLES RUBELLA MUMPS	M/R - - - One Dose of Measles/Rubella (Combined) Vaccine . . . or M/M/R - One Dose of Measles/Mumps/Rubella (Combined) Vaccine.
18 Months 4-5 Years	DTP & POLIO DTP & POLIO	These doses constitute an important part of the immunization series.

TABLE II**IMMUNIZATION SCHEDULE FOR CHILDREN NOT IMMUNIZED IN INFANCY**

CHILDREN AGE 1 THROUGH 5		
SPACING	VACCINES	COMMENTS
1st Visit	DTP & POLIO MEASLES/MUMPS/ RUBELLA*	Refer to Table I comments for vaccine information.
2 Months after 1st Visit	DTP & POLIO	The simultaneous administration of M/R or M/M/R in conjunction with DTP or Td (Adult) and TOPV is recommended for any immunization-deficient child age 15 months and above.
2 Months after 2nd Visit	DTP	
6-12 Months after 3rd Visit	DTP & POLIO	These reinforcing doses can be given just prior to school entry.
CHILDREN AGE 6 AND ABOVE		
1st Visit	Td (Adult) & POLIO, MEASLES/ MUMPS RUBELLA	Td (Adult) - Tetanus and Diphtheria Vaccine (Adult) replaces DTP Vaccine for children age 6 and above.
2 Months after 1st Visit	Td (Adult) & POLIO	Refer to Table 1 comments for other vaccine information.
6-12 Months after 2nd Visit	Td (Adult) & POLIO	Refer to Ohio Department of Health's School Immunization Requirements.

* Do not routinely administer M/R or M/M/R vaccines before age 15 months. Any child who received measles vaccine before age 12 months, or who received killed virus measles vaccine, or live virus vaccine with gamma globulin, should have a repeat measles immunization with live virus vaccine without gamma globulin after 15 months of age.

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CME REMINDER

The legal requirement for 150 hours of continuing medical education is now in effect, and all physicians must complete their 150 hours between now and Dec. 31, 1979 in order to reregister their medical license in 1980.

The article "Ohio State Medical Board Physician Relicensure Program," page 724 of the December, 1976 issue of the *Ohio State Medical Journal* gives extensive information. Reprints of the article are available from the Mahoning County Medical Society and the Ohio State Medical Association.

SIX LISTED ON OSMA COMMITTEES

The recently published list of committees of the Ohio State Medical Association lists six members of the Mahoning County Medical Society: Dr. Wm. E. Sovik is chairman of the Health Manpower Committee and serves on the Eye Care and State Legislation Committees. Dr. C. E. Pichette is chairman of the Auxiliary Advisory Committee and a member of the Ohio Advisory Committee to the Ohio State Society of Medical Assistants.

Dr. L. P. Caccamo is on the Federal Legislative Liaison Committee. Dr. David Levy is on the Prisons and Jails Committee. Dr. Jack Schreiber is on the Scientific Work Committee; and Dr. Mike Vuksta is on the Joint Advisory Committee on Sports Medicine.

PROCEEDINGS OF COUNCIL

Sept. 13, 1977

The regular meeting of the Council of the Mahoning County Medical Society was held on Tuesday, Sept. 13, 1977, at the Youngstown Club.

Dr. Anderson presented a Physicians Effectiveness Committee to consist of Dr. Frank Gelbman, chairman, and (from both hospitals) the medical directors, chiefs of Medicine, Surgery, Pediatrics, Ob-Gyn, Family Practice, Pathology, Radiology and Anesthesiology, plus the chairman of the following three Medical Society Committees: Alcoholism, Drug Abuse, Medical-Legal, plus the Immediate Past President. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the president appoint the committee in its composition.

A letter was read from Nena LaBarbera, in which she thanked all physicians for their support and encouragement to her during the past year when she was president of the Ohio State Society of Medical Assistants.

Dr. Anderson reported a conversation with Helen Mager of the Mahoning County Health Dept. concerning enlisting some help and advice from the Medical Society in regard to a geriatric screening program. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the matter be referred to the Geriatrics Committee.

Dr. Anderson reported a letter from HSA (Health Systems Agency) proposing a meeting of presidents of the four medical societies in the jurisdiction for the purpose of discussing a proposal to discourage frivolous malpractice litigation. Dr. Anderson will attend the meeting with another of our members.

A letter was read from MAI enclosing the official announcement of the division of Area VI PSRO into two areas. Area VI now consists of Summit and Portage Counties. Area XIII consists of Mahoning, Trumbull, Stark and Columbiana Counties. The letter suggested that a meeting concerning the PSRO situation in the area would be called in the future.

Dr. Anderson reported a letter from Mayor Hunter asking for assistance of the Medical Society in getting children immunized. This was referred to the School Health Committee and the committee report was read. Basically a publicity program was recommended. The report is attached to the minutes. The motion was made, seconded and duly passed that the report be approved and implemented.

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FORTY YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1937

New members that month were Lewis K. Reed, George McKelvey and Brack Bowman.

Two of our fine old members died in September, Dr. John Zimmerman and Dr. D. B. Phillips. Dr. Zimmerman worked in the influenza epidemic of 1918. It was said that for three days he was never in bed. He was a lovable character and had an enormous practice. Dr. Phillips was an authority on allergy when almost no one knew anything about the subject. He was a Southern gentleman and highly allergic himself. He died of asthma.

THIRTY YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1947

The Sixth Councilor District blossomed out with a big Post-Graduate Day at Canton with a group of speakers from the University of Chicago. To our own meeting, Robert Zollinger, Bruce Wiseman and Joseph Morton came up from Columbus to present a Symposium on "Peptic Ulcer."

The Women's Auxiliary announced its annual Dinner Dance at the Pick-Ohio on October 25 and Mrs. W. O. Mermis urged everyone to come.

Fluid therapy for extensive burns was receiving attention and the late Dr. Richard V. Clifford wrote an informative article on the subject for the *Bulletin*. Dr. Raymond Scheetz joined the Department of Radiology at St. Elizabeth's Hospital.

The Renner Brewing Company offered an attractive prescription for the overworked doctor's frayed nerves.

TWENTY YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1957

Robert Tornello was elected to the Board of Directors of the Ohio State Surgery Association. Robert Foster became a member of the International College of Surgeons. Sidney Franklin was re-elected Department Surgeon of the Ohio Reserve Officers Association.

The Alcoholic Clinic and Hospital was on Lincoln Avenue. Renners Brewery was on Pike Street. Lyons Physicians Supply was on Fifth Avenue. Peoples Drugs had a store on West Federal Street. Some downtown store rooms were vacant but nobody had to board up windows to protect against vandalism. Urban renewal was yet to come.

TEN YEARS AGO — OCTOBER 1967

October was always time for "Postgraduate Day" conceived in Mahoning County, later expanded to include the 6th Councilor District. They were exciting well-attended meetings with notable speakers and drug companies fighting for concession space. It has since withered on the vine, a victim of the transfer of the educational process into the hospital setting, and the increasing demands on the physicians' limited time.

President Harold Reese announced the progress of the one year old Medical School Committee, and its plans to establish a Medical School at Youngstown State University. He predicted the school would improve the image and economy of this community.

Dr. Clyde Walter of Canfield passed away suddenly at the prime of his career. Editor Eli Saadi decried the fact that, in spite of the recent medical spotlight on Emphysema, it was still conspicuously absent as a diagnosis on hospital charts and death certificates.

Dr. Charles Waltner had a lengthy and stirring article on the functions and services provided by the Woodside Receiving Hospital. Dr. J. L. Fisher presented an article on the pitfalls of giving "free samples" to patients.

Little Forest Medical Center was about to open its doors on South Avenue with two hundred "Extended Care" beds. Mr. A. B. Elias was to be the new administrator.

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